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Increased poverty affects 33.6 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of poor Americans grew to 33.6 million last year, the first increase since 1983, according to the Census Bureau. That means 13.5 percent of the country lives in poverty.

Under the 1990 definition of poverty, a family of four earning \$13,359 or less is considered poor. The definition does not include property the family may own or some forms of assistance it may receive.

Two-thirds of poor Americans are white. Forty percent are children and 11 percent are elderly.

The number of Americans considered poor increased by 2.1 million over the year before. Daniel Weinberg, the Census Bureau's head of household economic statistics, said the new figures represented "a significant increase from 1989."

The figures are the first to track poverty in America since the nation fell into recession last year. The poverty rate had fallen steadily since 1983, the year after the last recession ended.

Robert Greenstein, director of a Washington-based research group, the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, said the current recession would have a significant impact on the poverty rate.

Because the recession worsened in 1991, "whatever figures we hear in 1990 will understate the degree of poverty in the country today," he said.

In 1989, 12.8 percent of the population fell below the poverty line, which was \$12,674 for a family of four.

Last year, the median income of the nation's households was \$29,943. That's about \$525 less than the year before, when inflation is taken into account.

Income per person in the United States fell 3 percent to

■ The 1990 census found 13.5 percent of Americans live in poverty. But according to the director of the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, that figure is understated because of the worsening recession.

\$14,387, the first downturn in eight years.

People in the country fared better economically than those in the cities. Household income outside of the metro areas was \$23,709, about the same as the year before.

In the metro areas, household income declined 3 percent to \$31,823.

Blacks had the highest poverty rate of any racial or ethnic group at 32 percent. The poverty rate for whites was 11 percent; Hispanics, 28 percent; and Asians and Pacific Islanders, 12 percent.

Households headed by those 65 and over had a 3 percent increase in their average income when adjusted for inflation. That's the only age group whose income went up in the year.

Women's earnings remained behind men's. Women on average earned \$19,816, about the same as the year before. Men's earnings declined 3.6 percent to \$27,866.

The government's measure of poverty is based on money income before taxes. It excludes non-cash benefits like food stamps, Medicaid and public housing. Ownership of a house, car or other property has no effect on whether a household meets the government's definition of poverty.



Photo by David L. Swirt

A student drops his vote in the ballot box during Wednesday's special election. Results of that election

still are being withheld by SGA until review by Student Court over possible constitutional violations.

SGA election results remain in doubt

By Eric Davis
Reporter

Due to a conflict in SGA election polling procedures, the results of Wednesday's special election are in question and have to be reviewed by the Student Court before being released, Chief Election Commissioner Angie McClure said.

The precise nature of the conflict has not yet been released because it may bias the court before they have a chance to review the evidence, McClure, Yawkey sophomore, said.

"It was an irregularity at the balloting table," McClure said. "Some thing that could possibly bias a voter one way or the other."

The complaint about the irregularity was reported during the election and it is signed by a student and a faculty member who also must remain anonymous until the courts ruling.

Amendment #2, which was designed to overturn the "People Power" amendment, was the

major issue in the election. The "People Power" amendment is responsible for all special elections conducted throughout the year.

The decision on the "People Power" amendment, as well as all other issues, now awaits the decision of the court.

Student Body President Taclan B. Romey, Lansing junior, will not recognize the court until it is reorganized. The court was determined to be in violation of the constitution because to many justices were from the College of Liberal Arts.

A new court under Chief Justice Rodney Davis, Grantsville senior, currently is being put together and their first order of business will be to determine the validity of the election irregularity.

The ballot box used in the election was sealed as soon as the polling was completed, McClure said. To ensure against tampering, it is not stored in the SGA office and the only key is in the hands of one of the SGA advisors.

COB to make changes in admissions, curriculum

Despite a two- or three-year delay in College of Business accreditation, the college's administration is changing admissions policy, curriculum and faculty research to correct deficiencies found last year by an accreditation committee.

According to Dr. Robert P. Alexander, dean of the COB, a committee from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business found major deficiencies in the way graduate students were admitted to the MBA program. He attributed some of the deficiencies to a conflict between the COB and the Graduate School.

"The graduate dean was admitting students into the graduate program without College of Business ap-

proval," he said. "[For accreditation] 80 percent of all attendees must conform to standards set up by the Southern Regional Education Board and they were not."

Alexander said the new admissions policy should help meet the accreditation committee's standard.

"It has been put to bed and we're now moving to conformity. The director of the MBA program determines who should be admitted and then recommends them to the graduate dean."

Other changes are expected or already in place in the areas of curricula and faculty research. In addition, the college is attempting to draft a mission statement to coincide with that of the university.

Faculty research also was ruled inadequate by the AACSB accreditation committee. SREB standards require that 50 percent of faculty be published in trade journals and that 80 percent engage in research. Alexander said that in an effort to assist the faculty in conducting research, graduate assistants have been relieved of many classroom responsibilities and given research assistantships instead.

"The GAs will be doing the legwork of research: library research, documentation and such," Alexander said.

The COB also will make changes in its curriculum recommended by the committee, Alexander said.

Hirings down but not out with freeze

Office of affirmative action, human resources working with hirings, firings

By Leo D. Bartsch, Jr.
Reporter

The hiring freeze instituted by President J. Wade Gilley hasn't slowed down the office responsible for hiring and firing.

Although the number of hirings is down, the Office of Affirmative Action and Human Resources still investigates cases of discrimination based on anything from race to religion, Director Queen E. Foreman said.

In addition, the office is providing training for employees in several different areas, including promotions, transfers, career development, insurance and benefits, Foreman said.

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Director of Human Resources

now is to try to help make the employees feel OK about the budget cut," Foreman said. "Whenever you hear the words budget cut, people start worrying about 'Am I gonna be here tomorrow?'"

The office also handles discipline issues. "We deal with hiring on the one

side, firing on the other side as it relates to our employees," Foreman said.

"This office is always swamped with a lot of duties and responsibilities, especially for the volume of staff," she said. "We only have 10 staff for 1200 employees."

Despite the freeze, hiring is still occur

ring, but on a case by case basis, said Dr. Edouard L. Piou, assistant director of affirmative action and human resources.

"Anyone who feels they need an exception for a job because the job is essential, because the job is going to have a negative impact in the classroom if it is not filled, has to submit a request for exception to the hiring freeze committee," Piou said.

Gilley imposed the hiring freeze at the beginning of the school year to address a \$1.4 million deficit.

When the freeze was imposed, Herbert J. Karlet, vice president for finance, said exceptions may be granted for jobs which affect "the integrity of the classroom, the health and safety of people, and external revenue sources which are dependent on specific employees."

Harless nominees to be named

By Tracy Mallett
Reporter

The spectators at Saturday's football game will be cheering for athletes in eight sports instead of just one when the 1990-91 Buck Harless Award nominees are announced.

The Award, named for James "Buck" Harless of Gilbert, is presented each year by the Student-Athlete Program to the student who demonstrates the highest degree of "dedication to reaching the maximum potential in academics, athletics and personal development," Donna Mauk, coordinator of the program, said. The 1990-91 winner will be announced at the Nov. 9 football game.

As nominees for the award, one student from each sport will be recognized Saturday for outstanding leadership, sportsmanship, and scholarship.

The nominees will be announced at a football game, as opposed to another sporting event, to allow "many more people in the community to be aware of the students' accomplishments," Mauk said.

The award nominees will be given a small glass eagle as a symbol of excellence and patriotism, Mauk said.

The Award nominees are: Kellie Beckelheimer-Hicks, volleyball; Larry Brandon, men's track; Wendy Gatlin, Lady Herd basketball; Derek Grier, football; William Hutcheson, golf; Cyn-

thia Machmer, tennis; Harold Simmons, basketball; Kellie Thomas, women's track; and David Vollmer, soccer.

"The Buck Harless Student-Athlete Program began in 1983 and is an academic support program for all student athletes," said Kenneth E. Blue, associate dean of student affairs.

"We work with all of them based on where they are in growth and development," he said.

A goal of the program is to encourage student-athletes to become self-sufficient as opposed to having people do things for them.

"We have the same services for every student-athlete; there is no discrimination," Mauk said.

Performance lab schedules fitness olympics

By Teresa Nickell
Reporter

David P. Swain wants visitors on Marshall's campus to ask the question: "Where's the beef?"

Swain is the director of the human performance laboratory, which has scheduled a student and faculty fitness olympics for Nov. 4-8 as part of its effort to promote fitness on campus.

The competition will include six events: two strength measures, lat pulling and bench pressing, flexibility testing, body fat analysis, cholesterol level testing and a one and one-half mile walk/run.

Scoring will be handicapped by age and gender, with the age categories being: 18-34, 35-49 and 50 and above.

The competition is open to individuals or teams, Swain said. Team competition can be a mix of male and female participants. The cost will be \$6 for individuals and \$10 for teams.

The human performance laboratory provides fitness testing to all university faculty, staff and students. "We provide free of charge to all students body fat analysis, strength flexibility and cardiovascular capacity testing," he said. "A lot of students are not aware of the services we offer."

After the tests are completed a graduate assistant analyzes the results with the student, said Rick A. Robinson, assistant director. "We give specific nutri-

tion and exercise instructions to help obtain the student's individual goals," he said.

Additionally, an exercise room is available at no charge to students Monday through Thursday noon to 8 p.m. and Friday noon to 6 p.m.

Those wanting to register for the fitness olympics may stop by the human performance laboratory in the Henderson Center or may call 696-2939 for more information.



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Legislature to consider proposal to match Kellogg grant funding

By Jennifer Coulter
Reporter

Legislators will meet in special session Monday to consider Gov. Gaston Caperton's proposal for funds to go with a \$6 million grant from the W. E. Kellogg Foundation.

The grant will be spread over four years to provide money for nine rural health care clinics operated by faculty and students from the state's three medical schools.

"I feel the money would be an economic investment," Dr. Charles McKown, dean of the

School of Medicine, said. McKown wants legislators to include a plan for funding primary care services and also involve the three teaching institutions.

Caperton's current proposal would give \$4 million to the state's three medical schools and \$2 million to start the nine rural health care clinics.

"We feel confident because we have played a major role in rural health care and have gotten national recognition with a good track record as being a very strong team player," McKown said.

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BRIEFS

ORACLE, ARIZ.

Eight scientists locked in sealed environment

Dressed like space travelers from "Star Trek," eight scientists were locked Thursday morning into a sealed environment where they plan to stay until 1993.

The Biospherians, as they like to call themselves, donned colorful space-type costumes Wednesday as they celebrated their last day of freedom. They were sealed this morning inside 3.15 acre compound.

The four men and four women, ranging in ages from 27 to 67, will try to replicate the Earth's environment — raising their own food and recycling all air, water and wastes.

The four-man, four-woman group has two people from England, one from Belgium and five from the United States.

PLAINFIELD, IND.

Everyone gets chance to be cheerleader

Officials at Plainfield Middle School have found a simple cure to the heartbreak faced by a teen-ager left off the cheer-leading squad. They let everyone be a cheerleader.

Principal Jerry Goldsberry said the rule allowing anyone who tries out to make the squad was adopted after an education consultant stressed the importance of extracurricular activities. The school, with 800 students in grades six through eight, also applies its wide-open membership policy to the band, the choir and most team sports.

Poll shows majority of Americans will support return to Persian Gulf

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Three out of four Americans said they would support military action against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to compel him to cooperate with U.N. inspectors searching for nuclear and chemical weapons, according to a new poll.



NATION

However, a Los Angeles Times poll found roughly an equal number believe President Bush

should spend more time on domestic difficulties and less on international affairs.

Overall, Americans' approval rating for Bush declined from 80 percent to 65 percent. The Times found he enjoyed the 80 percent rate during the Persian Gulf War.

The poll reported in Thursday's editions was conducted from Saturday through Tuesday among a random sample of 1,597 Americans nationwide. The poll's margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Iraq has repeatedly refused to allow the U.N. team to use its own helicopters for surveillance flights and has detained them on more than one occasion.

But the poll was conducted before the Iraqi soldiers moved in on the 44-member team in a dispute over documents. The three-day siege continued this morning.

The survey also was completed before the United States began moving Patriot anti-missile units to the Persian Gulf on Wednesday in case the Security Council orders military escorts for U.N. teams searching Iraq.

GULF POLL

- Three out of four Americans polled will support a return to the Gulf.

- Some Americans think Bush should spend more time on domestic difficulties.

- Overall, Bush's approval rating is 65 percent compared to 80 percent during the Persian Gulf War.

- The poll was a random sample of 1,597 Americans nationwide.

Romanian premier resigns following protests

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — Premier Petre Roman resigned Thursday following violent demonstrations against his tough-market-oriented reforms that



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have sent prices skyrocketing while coal miners' protests continued demanding the resignation of President Ion Iliescu as well.

Roman's Western-backed reforms sliced standards of living, widened the gap between rich and poor, and sent inflation soaring to 170 percent. The striking miners complained that they could not afford to feed their children.

Roman, who emerged as premier after the revolution against Communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu almost two years

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ago, spoke of his resignation on Bucharest radio saying, "I reached the conclusion that it would be better ... to extinguish this violent wave which endangers all our democratic gains."

He said the government and police had not been able to "function properly to prevent violence and defend the state and citizens' rights."

At least three people were killed and 140 police were reported injured in rioting that erupted Wednesday after thousands of club-wielding miners commandeered trains in central Romania and descended

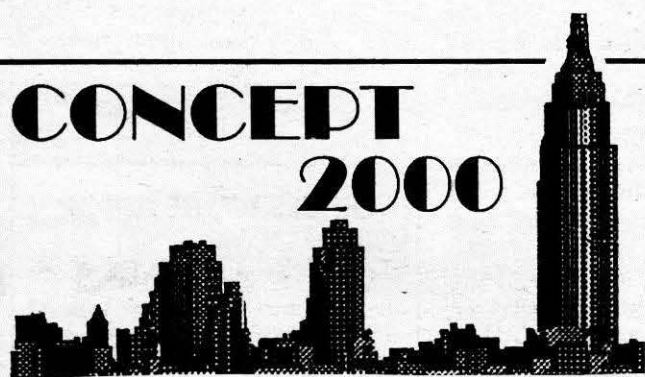
on Bucharest.

Before Roman's announcement, thousands of miners gathered outside the government headquarters building where the premier's office is located shouting "Resign! Resign!" and "Iliescu, your time has come!"

Miron Cosma, the miners' leader, urged them to go home, saying their "task was completed."

On Wednesday, the protestors had stormed government headquarters, but riot police firing tear gas beat back the attack, pushing hundreds of miners of the government building about one mile from the center of the capital.

The Rompres news agency reported Thursday that 2,000 more miners had arrived at one of the capital's train stations, that an undetermined number of others arrived at another station, and that more trains were on their way.



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OUR VIEW

Ballot freeze typifies
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you get at the office

Let's see if we got this straight ...

On Wednesday, Student Government Association had a special election, asking students if they would like to repeal their right to have any say in deciding major issues facing the Student Senate.

But according to Senate President Pro-Tempore Heather Ramsay, in many cases the issues already were signed and implemented before being sent to the student body for a vote.

After the election, it was discovered that some unspecified irregularities had occurred near the polling area. If those irregularities are in violation of the student government constitution, the election may be declared void.

It now is up to the Student Court to decide if there was indeed a violation.

Trouble is, the court is in violation of the constitution. According to guidelines, no more than two justices may come from any school on campus.

Eight of the justices are from the College of Liberal Arts. Student Body President Taclan B. Romey has refused to recognize the court.

The ballot box is locked away, and apparently will stay locked away, until the court is reorganized with the proper balance of justices. It's unclear as to when we can even expect an answer.

So, to sum up ...

We had a voice that essentially was worthless to SGA.

Then they asked us to vote to give it up.

And now, they're not even going to count the votes until they have a valid court to decide whether the votes will be valid.

Confused? Yes.

Disappointed? Yes.

Surprised? No.

It's simply what we've come to expect.



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YOUR TURN

MAPS opposes
court nominee

To the Editor:

On Sept. 18, after two meetings of discussion, Marshall Action for Peaceful Solutions passed a resolution opposing the nomination of Judge Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court.

Included in this letter is a brief account of Thomas' record, which we feel would strongly influence how he might rule on these issues.

While serving as chair of the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission, he:

- tried to repeal long-standing rules protecting applicants for federal jobs from taking tests (unrelated to the job) that unfairly screen out women, African-Americans and other ethnic groups.

- sought to eliminate the goals and timetables that force employers found guilty of unfair labor practices to comply with the law.

- ignored more than 13,000 cases involving age discrimination, which denied senior citizens with legitimate complaints the right to their day in court.

- refused to enforce pension rights, which cost older workers an estimated \$450 million a year.

- condemned affirmative action as destructive to African-Americans.

Thomas, a religious fundamentalist, has stated that he believes in "God given" natural law which has led him to:

- attack the Supreme Court's Griswold decision, which legalized birth control.

- praise anti-choice writings and say the rights of the fetus pre-empt all other rights, which would deny access to abortions.

- call for school prayer and state that schools "went to hell" when school prayer was abolished.

- condemned welfare recipients, echoing Reagan's "welfare queen" rhetoric — including his own sister — who collected benefits while caring for Thomas' elderly relatives and working two jobs.

In addition to the above:

- Thomas, as head of the civil rights division in the Department of Education during Reagan's first term, clashed with career employees when they charged that he failed to enforce laws barring discrimination in school athletic programs and the handicapped.

- In 1977, Thomas acted as counsel to Monsanto Chemicals, a pesticide company cited for regulatory violations in the '70s, including production of soft drink bottles which contained cancer-causing substances.

- Thomas joined the advisory board of the Lincoln Review, which has run articles questioning the existence of racism, called abortion an attempt to "slaughter blacks", and lobbied for the white minority government in South Africa.

Since Thomas failed to give clear answers to many of the questions posed to him during his confirmation hearings, we feel this list of facts will show where Thomas truly stands on these issues and what kind of votes he would cast on the Supreme Court if he is confirmed. We urge all students, faculty and staff to call the offices of their senators and tell them to vote against confirmation.

Jason Morris

Program coordination chairman,
MAPS

Name should honor
today's heroes

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the naming of the new stadium.

I agree with Angela Hindle. The

name of the new stadium should be one that will honor all of the sports figures we have today. Even a name such as "The Thunder Dome" would be good. Even though the stadium is not a dome, that is just a suggestion for further creativity.

It seems that anything new that is built on campus is dedicated to those who died in the crash. Are people afraid everyone will forget about them? Most students were not even born when it happened. Everywhere you turn, you're reminded of it, so I don't think anyone will forget.

Always looking and trying to live in the past is a sign of weakness and a fear to face the future. If we continue to live in the past, then we will become nothing but memories ourselves to the stronger generation who had the courage to face the future.

We've already given the victims the respect they deserve. Now it's time to give the new generation the respect they deserve.

Maureen Nelson
Huntington freshman

POLICIES

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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'Surprise' termed key to self-defense

By Tracy Mallett
Reporter

Walking through Buskirk-Hall lobby Wednesday evening was similar to watching a television wrestling match live: Bodies were flying across the room, people were screaming and everyone was prepared for an attack.

It all was part of a self-defense seminar sponsored by the Residence Hall Association.

The objective was to teach women the basics of avoiding attack and sexual assault, said instructor Chris Johnson, a nurse at the Substance Abuse Unit of Huntington State Hospital and martial arts practitioner.

Someone could use my condition as an advantage. I feel better knowing I can do something about it.

■ Wendy Hamilton
Williamson senior

Women were given the opportunity to be "attacked" by Johnson, who demonstrated how to fight off an assailant.

The theme Johnson repeated was "disrupt his plan of action." He emphasized the importance of surprise in fighting off an attacker.

Desni Bichard, Marietta, Ohio, freshman, said, "Now I know exactly what I can do if I'm ap-

proached."

Johnson said he became interested in teaching women self-defense after a friend was attacked. Johnson went to Atlanta for seven weeks to talk with rape victims and rapists and to study approaches most often taken by attackers.

He developed a program to teach women to counteract them. "No matter how a woman

dresses or acts, she doesn't ask to be assaulted," Johnson said. He demonstrated how to escape from headlocks, hair pulls, and being shoved to the ground.

Wendy Hamilton, a Williamson senior who is disabled, said, "Someone could use my condition as an advantage. I feel better knowing I can do something about it."

Melinda Foster, residence life programming adviser, said if there is interest Johnson will teach a two-week "model mugging" course.

Women taking the course must escape from a simulated attack to receive their certificate.

Foster said she will distribute fliers in residence halls to generate student interest.

Movie attendance up despite budget cuts

By Lingtong Zeng
Reporter

Although its budget has been cut this semester, the Cinema Arts Committee is trying hard to attract more students to see films in Marco's.

Wayne Toler, committee chairman, said in the past three weeks, about 190 students showed up every Monday, 20 people more than last semester or six times the number of the semester before.

"To have more people come here, we have done a lot of publicity such as putting up a big ad banner outside of the student center, posting fliers on notice boards and sending out film calendars," he said.

He said a film would be shown twice if it is popular so more people can see it.

Jennifer Marcombe, committee adviser, said most of the films selected for this semester are popular ones like "Dances

with Wolves."

The films were chosen based on students' opinions.

Freshmen are one of the target audiences the committee tries to reach, Marcombe said.

The committee regularly has people give lectures about the films and their related topics in CR 107, a course attended mostly by freshmen.

Marcombe said, "We want them [freshmen] to feel part of the university and the rewarding college experience."

Food and soft drinks also are served while films are being shown. Many students like the atmosphere here, however, some students complain about drinking and smoking.

"We can ask people not to smoke, but we have to sell beers because it is one of our income sources," Toler said.

To make Marco's more attractive to students, the committee now is considering the possibility of cooperating with the Classical association in showing films.

Scholarship money donated by sorority chapter alumnae

By Diane E. Allman
Reporter

Thanks to the to the generosity of a former Marshall sorority West Virginia students will have another opportunity to receive scholarship money.

The Beta Delta chapter of Sigma Kappa national sorority recently contributed \$11,600 to The Marshall University Foundation for the establishment of an annual scholarship.

"The scholarship was established as a way for chapter alumni to share the education experience they had at Marshall with others," said Joleyne J. Blain, Beta Delta alumni chapter president.

According to scholarship requirements, first priority will be given to 'legacies'—sons, daughters, grandchildren, sisters, brothers, nieces and nephews of Sigma Kappa members and the founding sorority, Pi Kappa Sigma.

The first recipient of the scholarship is Meredith A. Fredeking,

Huntington senior, majoring in elementary education, whose mother was a member of the Beta Delta chapter.

Although an active undergraduate chapter of the sorority no longer is on campus, the alumni chapter has consistently been involved with Marshall.

"I think it's a real tribute to the alumni chapter," said Dr. Carolyn B. Hunter, assistant vice president for institutional advancement.

"Although the active chapter is not here anymore, the alumni are just as active and generous," she said.

According to Dr. Edward G. "Ned" Boehm Jr., vice president for institutional advancement, \$10,000 of the contribution will be invested and the proceeds will be used to provide an annual scholarship.

The remaining \$1,600 was awarded to Fredeking.

Blain added that the university also will receive quarterly interest from a loan the chapter made to the national sorority.

Dance fever hits campus

By Lakara Webb
Reporter

Swing your partner in a Texas Two-Step, undulate in a Rumba, and jump to the Jitterbug. These are just some of the dances taught in the ballroom and country style dance class.

"It's one of our most popular classes," said Richard L. Hensley, acting director of continuing education.

"We usually enroll 20-30 people," said instructor Jack Austin, who has appeared on the "Lawrence Welk Show", and is a dance director who trains other teachers.

Other country dances taught in the class include the country waltz, rebel strut, sweetheart schottische and the side kick.

It also features such dances as the barn dance, a mixer where partners interchange.

Latin dances such as the cha cha, samba, tango and mambo also are taught.

The waltz, foxtrot and swing comprise the ballroom dances.

Six sessions will begin at Miller Elementary School Monday and run through Nov. 4 on Mondays 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

"Most people join to have fun and learn to dance," Austin said.

"Most can already dance somewhat, so they come to add to their repertoire. Others want to learn for big dances coming up," he said.

Austin, who has taught class for more than 10 years, says the most popular dances are the Waltz, Jitterbug and Texas Two-Step.

In the future, Austin said he will add more country mixers.

"We haven't done much with those before, people like them," he said.

Dancing is not difficult at all, really."

Those interested should sign up at the Office of Continuing Education in the Community and Technical College, room 105, before Monday.

Cost is \$35 for singles and \$49 for couples.

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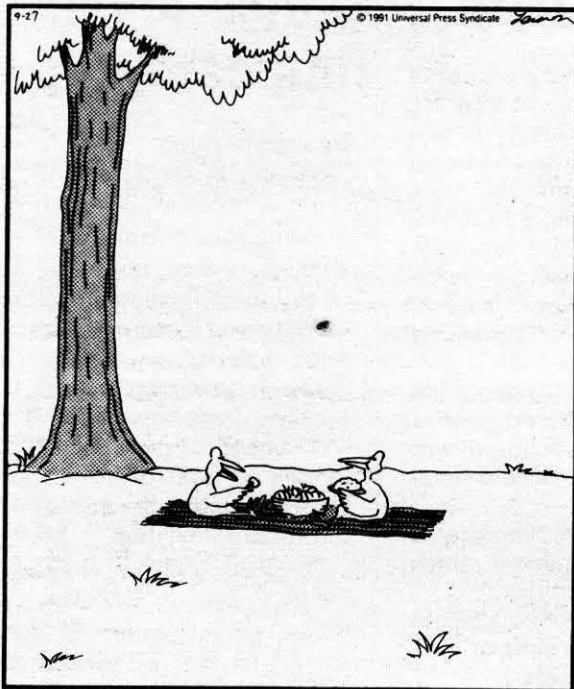
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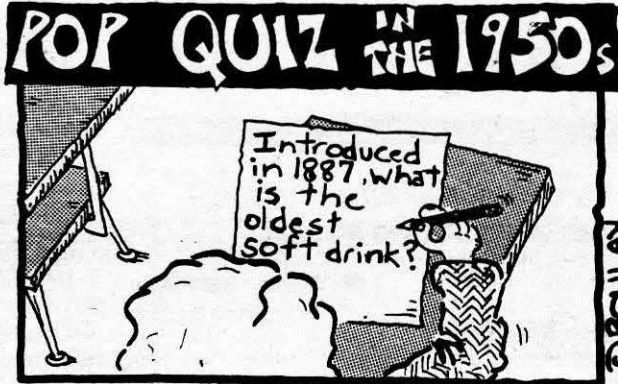
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By GARY LARSON



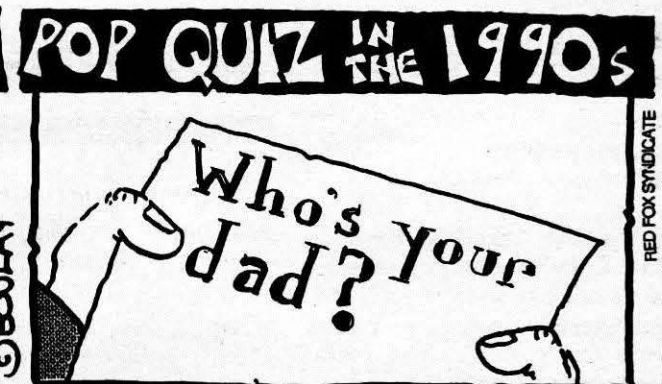
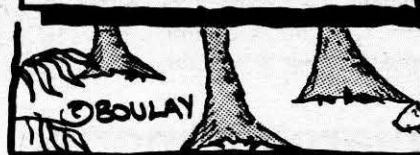
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Wives battle for estate of dead polygamist

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Richard Ernest Jenkins liked getting married so much that he did it over and over again. Unfortunately, court officials say, he never cared much for getting divorced.

After the 53-year-old repair shop operator died of a heart attack four months ago, three women stepped forward to say that they were his legal widows.

Two more wives and two ex-wives, one with a divorce judgment claim against Jenkins, were located a short time later, as well as a former girlfriend who has demanded child support from Jenkins' \$1 million estate.

And, court officials said Wednesday, that they are tracking another woman whose name has surfaced on a bank account connected with Jenkins. They aren't sure what her connection was to the man who they say had at least three sons named Richard Jr.

"It just keeps going," said Deputy County Counsel Porter Goltz.

For the wives, who discovered each other through funeral arrangements, "It's been a traumatic experience," said Edward Martins, attorney for Laura Jenkins, the most recent bride.

For the lawyers, it has been a nuptial nightmare.

Attorneys for five women gath-

ered Tuesday in San Mateo County Superior Court to start untangling the legal snarl of dividing Jenkins' estate. A trial is scheduled for November 21.

"Maybe he thought it was less expensive not to get divorced," Martins said.

"Everything he seemed to do, he did it very aggressively, not only in his relationship with all these ladies, but in business," Martins added.

Lawrence Vergun, representing Barbara Odom, a former girlfriend who is seeking child support said the story astonished his client, too.

"I would say that she was surprised at the extent of Mr. Jenkins' adventures," he said.

California law makes it a felony to have more than one spouse.

Jenkins evidently spent much of the last year alternating between wives Laura Jenkins and Paulina Jenkins.

"I don't know how he managed it, but he managed it," Paulina Jenkins' attorney, Albert Polonsky, said.

Martins said that when Jenkins was away from Laura Jenkins, he gave her the number of a phone connected to an answering machine kept in a locked room of the home he shared with Paulina Jenkins. He said Paulina Jenkins knew nothing of the arrangement.

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■ Albert Polonsky
Attorney

Court records indicate that Jenkins' married life began in 1955 in Louisiana with Nerva Jenkins, who is not part of the battle over the estate. The couple had one child and separated later that year. They divorced in 1983, court documents show.

In the 1960s, Jenkins moved to the San Francisco Bay area marrying Kili Jenkins in 1971. Eight years later, she filed for divorce, but the proceeding was never completed.

Then, from 1967 to 1971 Jenkins lived with Odom. Her lawyer said Jenkins never paid the child support judgement she won against him in 1971.

Jenkins married Paulina Jenkins in 1979 in Reno, Nev. The couple, who had a son, lived in the same Foster City home he had previously shared with Kili Jenkins and which is still in her name.

Petrona Fontenosa married Jenkins in 1980 and divorced him in 1984. She has filed a \$3,000 claim against the state for a divorce settlement she said was never paid.

Jenkins married Laura Jenkins last year.

Two more apparent marriages also have surfaced, one to a woman Jenkins is believed to have wed in 1982 and the other to a woman who was named with him on a deed to property in Oakland in 1987. Those women have not lodged claims against the estate, Goltz said.

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Donnan confident

Speed, size key factors against Ivy League's Brown

By Alan P. Pittman
Sports Editor

Saturday's first-ever meeting against Brown University should be a test for Marshall's secondary, but Coach Jim Donnan said his team is confident it can win.

"It's a game that we feel confident we should win even though they will present a style we don't normally face," Donnan said. "They like to pass and use the shotgun most of the time so it could give us some problems."

Brown, an Ivy League member, gained 355 yards passing last week in a 36-20 loss to Yale. All-American candidate Rodd Torbert had 105 yards on six receptions.

"I feel we have a size and speed advantage," Donnan said. "We've done a good job preparing."

Donnan said the team used the extra week to prepare by going back to fundamentals.

"We spent a lot of time practicing, conditioning and developing the younger players."



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GAME 4

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Donnan said Brown might be the last chance to use many of the players for a while.

"The second and third team might get to play," he said. "It's good for morale to play as many as you can."

After Brown, Marshall has another week off before playing Furman, North Carolina State and UT-Chattanooga on the road. Furman and Chattanooga are ranked in 1-AA and NC State is in the top 30 in Division I.

Donnan said he wouldn't rule out experimenting plays on Brown that he might want to use

on Furman.

However, Donnan said it's probable that Furman will be scouting Saturday's game.

"We don't want to show what we got," Donnan said.

As far as injuries are concerned Donnan said center Pete Woods, defensive end Ricky Carter, and nose guard Keenan Rhodes could return in time for Furman.

Defensive back William King is optional for Saturday's game.

Two players who have stood out early this season are Brian Dowler and Michael Payton. Dowler leads the team in receiving, 10 receptions for 246 yards, punting, with a 41.6 average, and all purpose yards with 247.

Michael Payton has completed 40 of 63 passes for 639 yards, four touchdowns and no interceptions.

Tom Freidel said ticket sales as of Thursday morning were at 13,000.

He said he would expect 18,000 to 20,000 to attend Saturday's game.

"Student ticket sales are pathetic," Freidel said. "Only 1,000 out of 6,000 student tickets have been sold."

Soccer team loses

The soccer team loss to Virginia Tech 4-3 Wednesday despite goals from Greg Gelting, Lance Kovar and Kurt Mueller.

Marshall drops to 3-2-1

The Herd returns to action at 2 p.m. Sunday at Fairfield Stadium against VMI.

Editors' picks		
Marshall over Brown Appy St. over UT-Chatt Clemson over Ga. Tech Florida over Miss. St.	NC State over N Carolina Tennessee over Auburn Michigan over Florida State	Buffalo over Chicago Atlanta over N Orleans NY Giants over Dallas SF 49ers over LA Raiders



Photo by Keef Jones

Paige Pence (left) and Cindy Machmer create double trouble for opponents.

Tennis coach proud of team's toughness

By Anthony Hanshaw
Reporter

Coming off two dominating wins, tennis coach Lynn McLeod said she is pleased with her team's progress this season.

Last weekend, Marshall defeated Dayton 8-1 and Morehead State 7-2 to up its record to 2-1. McLeod said Jennifer Treloar and Cindy Machmer's matches impressed her.

"Jennifer and Cindy went three sets and won," McLeod said. "That's part of mental toughness, wanting it just a bit more."

McLeod said she stresses mental toughness throughout the season to prepare the players for the Southern Conference in the spring.

"That's what the fall season is for. I want each girl to improve her tennis skills, whether it be working on strokes or becoming tournament tough."

Aside from wins and improving ground strokes, this season has provided McLeod with a solid singles player, she said.

Gunda Pristauz-Telsingg of Austria joined the Lady Herd this season and quickly established herself as a dominant player, McLeod said.

"She is a dynamic player (and) has a great attitude," McLeod said. "Having Gunda has taken the pressure off last year's number

one and two players."

Pristauz-Telsingg said she is comfortable with being number one on singles, but she said she is still adjusting to the faster American hardcourts.

"Everywhere we play in Austria is on clay," Pristauz-Telsingg said. "I have to get used to the hardcourts, and go to the net more. The hardcourts are much faster."

In doubles play, McLeod said she is experimenting with different player combinations, although one team has been determined.

"Rhonda (Felser) and Jennifer (Treloar) are playing well. They played together last year."

McLeod's squad was scheduled to play UNC Charlotte this weekend, but McLeod said Charlotte was unable to make the trip.

The match has been rescheduled for Oct. 20.

Normally a two week layoff would be considered a setback, McLeod said, but two injured players made the Lady Herd grateful for the break.

Both Pristauz-Telsingg and Felser sustained sprained ankles and will be out at least a week.

"I'm so glad we don't have to play this week," McLeod said. "We just hope to get the girls back healthy this week."

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Johnny Puke

Sometimes unpredictable, this outspoken artist just won't shut up

While attending Virginia Intermont College in Bristol, Va., performance artist John Hurt met up with the funk-punk band Sticky Finger.

"The year before I got there the other singer had been drawing a cartoon. The character looked like me, and sorta acted like me," Hurt, a 25-year-old Charleston native says.

The character's name was Johnny Puke. Hurt and the singer, Ugly, "became friends and started hanging out."

The name Johnny Puke "sort of fit." And Hurt's been Johnny Puke ever since.

Johnny began performing as a child.

"When I was real young my mom was a dancing teacher and she used to make me

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perform little dancing duets with her in her yearly recitals."

During his senior year of high school at Charleston Catholic, he joined the speech team.

When Johnny lived in Washington, D.C., he attended the Sandy Spring Friends School.

It was there Johnny really began to work with performance. He met up with Alan Chapro, "a leader of performance. He was the progenitor of Happenings, which were very large group performance pieces. I got to participate in a piece called 'Maybe the Shortest Parade.'"

Johnny's love of performance led him to a bachelor's degree in theater arts.

He has been performing since that time.

Johnny's poems and stories are written from an outsider's viewpoint.

"I try and write from an observation point of view. I try to write about the things that I observe."

These observations have been incorporated into a book, "Carpe Frommage" (seize the cheese), which will soon be ready for publication.

When asked about his influences, Johnny says, "I try not to be influenced by other writers."

He does, however, enjoy pieces by Lydia Lunch, Jello Biafra and Henry Rollins.

In fact, Rollins arranged for him and some of his friends to receive guest tickets to the Raleigh, N.C. Lalapoloza concert.

"Henry is not the kind of person that you can get close to. He's very distant. But he's one of the most amazing performers around now. I've never seen somebody sweat so much or give so much in a 45-minute set as he does," Johnny says of Rollins.

"The band ruled at the Lollapoloza show. Jane's Addiction was tired. Nine Inch Nails were just a bunch of posers. Siouxsie was really bad. I think she ate some bad Shoney's food."

He added that Ice-T and Living Colour were great even though Living Colour's manager tried to have him tossed from the show.

Johnny respects bands such as Fugazzi because "they can control what happens at their shows."

"They are making their dogma work. They won't play a show with alcohol, period. They won't play a show that's more than \$5."

He hopes to someday be in a position where he can command that type of situation.

Johnny says not having major backing is the problem. In fact, he attributes this as a major factor in his recent arrest. The other problem he cites is censorship.

"It was a censorship issue," Johnny says of his short-lived performance at The King Street Palace in South Carolina. "In the first line I said 'fuck,' a word that you can hear in any PG-13 film. The sound got shut off."

It wasn't the cutting of the sound that bothered Johnny but "when the kids

moved in closer to hear, this Slayer shit came blasting through the speakers. That pissed me off."

This led Johnny to set off one of two exploding mannequins.

The explosion was symbolic of the way that people implode, that "we don't let our emotions go," he explains.

The explosion smoldered a couple of (ceiling) tiles.

Johnny spent the night in jail and was

fined \$200 for destroying public property.

In retrospect he said, "I don't think that they realized what they were dealing with. Jason Morris [Campus Entertainment Unlimited committee member] did. He read about me in Maximum Rock 'n' Roll."

Fishbone appeared the night after Johnny's performance at The King Street Palace.

"A band that has 'fuck' in every song. A band that has a big label and lots of lawyers."

Censorship was the theme of Wednesday's performance at Marco's. Johnny spoke of what he calls the censorship that figures into the National Endowment for the Arts grants.

"The NEA is not a political body. Politics aren't supposed to affect their decisions. But they fucked up when they created the NEA because it's counceled by the National Council of the Arts, which is a presidential appointment."

Karen Finley, Holly Hughes, John Fleck and Tim Miller are performance artists who have controversial content.

They were denied their grants on the basis of being controversial. Johnny calls them a "political hand grenade."

"They're suing now that they got transcripts that were supposed to be kept secret released."

He says these transcripts prove that endowment decisions were made on the basis of political—not artistic—grounds.

The fate of NEA grants directly affects Johnny.

He was recommended for a grant but thinks that his arrest "puts the nail in my coffin. I'm not expecting it."

For those who missed the "Johnny Puke Won't Shut Up" tour, Morris confirmed that "he'll probably be back in the spring."

Johnny said the tour is aptly named "because I guess I talk a lot."

